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#### **ABSTRACT**

This paper contends that it is essential that broadcast journalism courses possess a roughly equal balance between hands-on radio, television, and electronic news gathering assignments and analytical term papers. The importance of students writing and analyzing mass communication issues and personalities cannot be overstated in a highly competitive job market. The paper contains all syllabi and production and writing assignments required of broadcast journalism majors at Southern Arkansas University. It is hoped these syllabi can serve as examples by which current and future broadcast journalism professors can update their respective syllabi for maximum instructional impact. Each course listed in the paper includes an academic course syllabus preface with grading criteria, assignments, prerequisites, and point total; a complete syllabus is also included for each course, with catalog description, textbook used, purpose/objective, topics to be emphasized, types of teaching strategies used, major student assignments, student assessment/evaluation, student readings, instructor's bibliography, and procedure. Courses listed are: Principles of Speech, Introduction to Mass Communication, Radio Production, Broadcast Performance, Television Production, Broadcast Practicum, Electronic News Gathering, Advanced Radio Production, Broadcast News Writing, Advanced Electronic News Gathering, Broadcast Sales and Management, Senior Research Project, and Broadcast Internship. (NKA)

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My definition of an academic course syllabus has changed during my career as a broadcast journalism professor. Until 1996-97, grades in my courses had primarily been determined on a qualitative A through F scale. When I decided to revise my syllabi, including those in Principles of Speech and Introduction to Mass Communication courses, I wanted students to earn their grades on a more quantitative basis. As a result, numerical scores have replaced grades on assignments in all of my courses.

I wanted to be consistent regarding course requirements in as many courses as practicable. It was essential that broadcast journalism courses possess a roughly equal balance between hands-on radio, television and electronic news gathering assignments and analytical term papers. The importance of students writing and analyzing mass communication issues and personalities cannot be overstated in a highly competitive job market.

I have been competitively selected to participate in most professional broadcast faculty/industry seminars, including those sponsored by the International Radio & Television Society in New York, New York (1993, 1995, 1997) and the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences in Hollywood, California (1989). Interacting with these and other professionals has greatly influenced my perceptions of how Southern Arkansas University broadcast journalism majors should be prepared for entrance into the professional world.

This paper includes all syllabi and production and writing assignments required of SAU broadcast journalism majors. Hopefully they can serve as examples by which current and



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future broadcast journalism professors can update their respective syllabi for maximum instructional impact.



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**SPCH 1113: Principles of Speech** (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

<u>Grading Criteria</u>: There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Speech outlines and critiques are typed and double-spaced with separate reference pages (outlines only). One missed speech without documented excuse will result in automatic failure.

Speech 1/Beg. Jul. 16/Demonstrative, 6-8 Minutes, 3 Visual Aids: 15 points

Speech 2/Beg. Jul. 23/Informative, 6-8 Minutes, 3 Visual Aids: 15 points

Speech 3/Beg. Jul. 30/Persuasive, 6-8 Minutes, 3 Visual Aids: 15 points

Speech 4/Beg. Aug. 7/Group Discussion, 25-30 Minutes: 20 points

Critical Listening Activity 1/Demonstrative Speech Critiques: 5 points

Critical Listening Activity 2/Informative Speech Critiques: 5 points

Critical Listening Activity 3/Persuasive Speech Critiques: 5 points

Critical Listening Activity 4/Group Discussion Critiques: 5 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 15 points

<u>Summer 1997 Semester Total</u>: 100 points



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Title and Number: SPCH 1113/Principles of Speed	th (Reppert's section only)			
Prerequisite(s): None				
Catalog Description: Principles of effective speaking; emphasis on both transmission and reception of the communicative process; the speaking mechanism and delivery.				
Text: Hay, Speech Resources: Exercises & Activities	es (second edition), Roxbury			
Purpose/Objective: The obvious purpose of a cour one's skills as a communicator. However, there are go the value and effectiveness of communication; lead establishing confidence in one's convictions; and practicing clear, concise oral communication. Positive each day by the manner in which a person speaks. skills in students' personal and professional lives.	goals of equal importance: realizing arning to give and accept criticism are understanding the importance of a or negative impressions are made			
Topics To Be Emphasized	Approximate Hours Of Coverage			
Impromptu Speaking Extemporaneous Speaking Eye contact and vocalics Organizing speech outlines Visual aid construction Delivery techniques Critiquing oral presentations Demonstrative Speaking Informative Speaking	3 6 3 6 3 3			



Researching data in cyberspace

Group Discussion techniques

Persuasive Speaking

3

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Title and Number: SPCH 1113/Principles of Speech (Reppert's section only) Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons X Lecture X Student Participation X Lecture/Discussion \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching X Use of Audio-Visuals \_\_\_\_ Microteaching **X** Demonstration X Other: Videotapes Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Four speeches, four speech critiques, attendance/class participation. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): **X** Demonstration True/False \_\_ Term Papers \_\_\_\_ Multiple Choice \_\_\_\_ Short Answer X Exhibits \_\_\_ Essay X Critiques \_\_\_\_ Criterion reference X Projects X Other: Videotapes Standardized Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date)



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MCOM 1003: Intro. to Mass Communication (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 600 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 540-600/A; 480-539/B; 420-479/C; 360-419/D; and 0-359/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Each term paper will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. Two missed term papers will result in automatic failure.

Term Paper 1/Due Sep. 19/"Dysfunctional" TV Talk Show Analysis: 20 points

Term Paper 2/Due Oct. 17/Movie Review: 20 points

Term Paper 3/Due Nov. 14/Cross-Media Web Page Comparison: 20 points

Term Paper 4/Due Dec. 12/Ethics in Mass Communication: 20 points

Media Quizzes 1-4/Topics, Individuals Making News: 15 points each/60 total

Exams 1-4/Text, Lecture, Discussion, Videotapes: 100 points each/400 total

Attendance/Class Participation: 60 points

Fall 1997 Semester Total: 600 points



Title and Number: MCOM 1003/Intro. to Mass Communication
Prerequisite(s): None
Catalog Description: Development of communication media in American society including newspapers, magazines, radio, television, and movies. Emphasis on social political, and economic interaction of media and society.
Text: Biagi, Media/Impact (third edition), Wadsworth; Subscription to Time Magazine

Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_

**Purpose/Objective:** Students need to become critical analysts of American and international media, and learn the many techniques used to gain their attention and consumer dollars via print, broadcast and related outlets. By examining each segment of mass communication, besides its history and major contributors, they can obtain an overall picture of how American culture has formed. Of particular relevance is the significant impact television has had upon the world, and videotapes detailing mass communication issues and personalities help to bring that importance into focus.

### Topics To Be Emphasized

### **Approximate Hours Of Coverage**

An overview of mass communication	3
Interactive communication	3
Newspapers	3
Magazines	3
Books	3
Radio	3
Recording industry	3
Television	6
Movies	3
Advertising	3
Public relations	3
Ownership, legal and regulatory issues, media ethics	6
Researching data in cyberspace	6



Title and Number: MCOM 1003/Intro. to Mass Communication Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons X Lecture X Student Participation X Lecture/Discussion \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching X Use of Audio-Visuals \_\_\_\_\_ Microteaching **X** Demonstration X Other: Videotapes \_\_\_\_ Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Four term papers, four media quizzes, four exams, attendance/class participation. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): X Demonstration X True/False X Term Papers X Multiple Choice \_\_\_\_ Exhibits X Short Answer \_\_\_\_ Critiques X Essay \_\_\_ Projects Criterion reference Other: \_\_\_\_ Standardized Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date) Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)

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**BJ 2003:** Radio Production (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Each term paper will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. Two missed term papers will result in automatic failure.

Term Paper 1/Due Sep. 16/Radio Station Format Analysis: 10 points

Term Paper 2/Due Oct. 14/Biography: 10 points

Term Paper 3/Due Nov. 11/Web Page Radio Comparison: 10 points

Term Paper 4/Due Dec. 9/Radio Station Promotion Assessment: 10 points

Lab Assignments 1-10/Weekly Productions with Scripts: 4 points each/40 total

Final Project/90-Minute Board Shift (in Pairs) with Script: 10 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 10 points

Fall 1997 Semester Total: 100 points



Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by:	Date:
Title and Number: BJ 2003/Radio Production	
Prerequisite(s): None	

**Catalog Description:** History and theory of the medium, in addition to hands-on experience. Assignments include operating a control board, hosting music formats, newscasts, interviews, commercials, and public service announcements. Also analyze FCC rules and regulations.

Text: Subscription to Broadcasting & Cable Magazine

**Purpose/Objective:** To give students substantial experience in production and theory, using the Electronic Classroom and Studios A/B as training facilities. The radio industry currently is experiencing both change and growth, and students are kept current in such areas as production, programming, sales, news reporting, syndication, promotion and management. Study of these topics, besides in-depth production experiences, gives students an invaluable edge if they decide to enter the medium as a career.

Topics To Be Emphasized	Approximate Hours Of Coverage		
History of the medium	3		
Federal Communications Commission	3		
Modern radio production techniques	6		
Programming, sales and promotion	3		
Writing radio broadcast scripts	3		
Traffic and billing	3		
Current issues facing the medium	3		
Researching data in cyberspace	6		
Preparing lab assignments	9		
Preparing final project	6		
Discuss, research term papers	3		



Title and Number: BJ 2003/Radio Production

Check types	of	teaching	strategies	used	in	this	course:
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X L	ecture ecture/Discussion Jse of Audio-Visuals Demonstration	X Resource Persons X Student Participation Team Teaching Microteaching
X F	Field Trips	X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes
_	Student Assignments: ance/class participation.	Four term papers, 10 lab assignments, final project
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**BJ 2033:** Broadcast Performance (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. The term paper will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. A missed term paper will result in automatic failure.

Lab Assignment 1/Radio Commercials and PSAs: 10 points

Lab Assignment 2/Radio Newscast with Script: 10 points

Lab Assignment 3/Radio Interview: 10 points

Lab Assignment 4/TV Newscast with Script: 10 points

Lab Assignment 5/TV Interview: 10 points

Daily Audio Cassette Readings: 10 points

Term Paper/Local TV News Performance Analysis: 10 points

Web Page Broadcast Research Assignment: 10 points

Special Event Remote Broadcast: 10 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 10 points

Summer 1998 Semester Total: 100 points



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designed to enhance on-air performance. s, followed by assigning of tasks performed oth radio and television).
(seventh edition), Houghton Mifflin
ealize their collective potential as articulate ay not become broadcast announcers, they and nonverbal communication. Extensive signments allow students to see how others istening to current professionals in the field their improvement. As a result, they realize ng.
Approximate Hours Of Coverage
4 4 4



Optimum pitch training

Interviewing techniques International pronunciation

Preparing final project

Radio, TV news announcing

Special event and sports announcing

Researching data in cyberspace

Music announcing

Interpreting commercials and public service announcements

4

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Title and Number: BJ 2033/Broadcast Performance

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<ul><li>X Lecture</li><li>X Lecture/Discussion</li><li>X Use of Audio-Visuals</li><li>X Demonstration</li></ul>	X Resource Persons X Student Participation Team Teaching Microteaching			
Field Trips	X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes			
Major Student Assignments: Five lab assign term paper, Web page research assignment, fire				
Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and	Number of Tests):			
True/False Multiple Choice Short Answer Essay Criterion reference Standardized	X Demonstration X Term Papers X Exhibits X Critiques X Projects X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes			
Student Readings: (please attach)				
Instructor Bibliography: (please attach)				
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**BJ 2103: Television Production** (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Each term paper will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. Two missed term papers will result in automatic failure.

Term Paper 1/Due Feb. 10/Local TV News Directing Styles: 10 points

Term Paper 2/Due Mar. 10/TV Program Directing Critique: 10 points

Term Paper 3/Due Apr. 7/TV Web Page Analysis: 10 points

Term Paper 4/Due May 5/TV Sports Production Comparison: 10 points

Lab Assignment 1/Demonstrative Group Production: 10 points

Lab Assignment 2/Interview Program: 10 points

Lab Assignment 3/Group News Program: 10 points

Lab Assignment 4/Group Final 10-15 Minute Project: 10 points

Individual Semester Lab Performance: 10 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 10 points

**Spring 1998 Semester Total:** 100 points



Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by:	Date:	
Title and Number: BJ 2103/Television Production		
Prerequisite(s): MCOM 1003/Intro. to Mass Communication		

**Catalog Description:** Extensive practice in studio operation, including cameras, lighting, graphics, and control room techniques. Students produce, direct, videotape, and critique newscasts, interviews, and special events.

Text: Subscription to Electronic Media Magazine

**Purpose/Objective:** To instruct students in the fundamentals of studio television production, and as a result produce competent programming. Students have many opportunities to be in the 'hot seat' of live studio productions, as they are rotated to give them both experience and flexibility to do a number of tasks. Understanding the theory underlying television fully to appreciate the process of production is also essential for them. Students discover that quality television productions are the result of a coordinated effort of writers, producers, on-air talent and production crew.

#### **Approximate Hours Of Coverage** Topics To Be Emphasized 4 The process of television production Camera operation, mechanics and aesthetics Lighting and audio as applied in the SAU TV studio Technical considerations 4 Functions of the production crew 4 Writing television broadcast scripts 4 Functions of the director and floor director 4 Operating a character generator 4 Set design and staging for the cameras 4 Researching data in cyberspace 4 Discuss, research term papers Preparing final project



Title and number: BJ 2103/Television Production

Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons X Lecture X Student Participation X Lecture/Discussion \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching X Use of Audio-Visuals \_\_\_\_ Microteaching **X** Demonstration X Other: Videotapes \_\_\_\_ Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Four term papers, four lab assignments, individual semester lab performance, attendance/class participation. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): **X** Demonstration \_\_\_ True/False \_\_\_\_ Multiple Choice X Term Papers \_\_\_\_ Short Answer X Exhibits \_\_\_ Essay X Critiques \_\_\_\_ Criterion reference X Projects X Other: Videotapes Standardized Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date) Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date) Dean submits one copy to VPAA (Sig./Date)



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**BJ 2113:** Broadcast Practicum (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Missing two supervised, previously scheduled professional radio or television work days without documented excuse will result in automatic failure.

Individual Semester Lab Performance in Professional Setting: 50 points

Compilation Broadcast Scripts, Videotapes or Audio Cassettes: 50 points

Fall 1997 Semester Total: 100 points



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Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by:	Date:
Title and Number: BJ 2113/Broadcast Practicum	
Prerequisite(s): None	
Catalog Description: Designed to give the st commercial broadcast station. Students will be placed will work under and be evaluated by professional states.	d in cooperating stations where they
Text: None	
Purpose/Objective: Allowing students who can internships the opportunity to work in local or institute television writing and production skills. Copies of their or audio cassettes can then be used when applying communication field.	tional settings that use their radio or broadcast scripts, demo videotapes
Topics To Be Emphasized	Approximate Hours Of Coverage
Radio and television writing, production experience Regular critiques of student performance	40 8



Title and number: BJ 2113/Broadcast Practicum Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons \_\_\_\_ Lecture \_\_\_\_\_ Lecture/Discussion X Student Participation \_\_\_\_ Use of Audio-Visuals \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching Microteaching Demonstration X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes \_\_\_\_ Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Various radio and television projects involving assignments such as production and script writing. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): \_\_\_ True/False **X** Demonstration \_\_\_\_ Multiple Choice Term Papers \_\_\_\_ Short Answer X Exhibits X Critiques \_\_\_\_ Essay \_\_\_\_ Criterion reference X Projects \_\_\_\_ Standardized X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date) Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date) Dean submits one copy to VPAA (Sig./Date)



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**BJ 3013:** Electronic News Gathering (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments:</u> The following tasks are required. Each term paper will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. Two missed term papers will result in automatic failure.

Term Paper 1/Due Feb. 12/Local TV Edited News Packages: 10 points

Term Paper 2/Due Mar. 12/Newsmagazine Editing Styles: 10 points

Term Paper 3/Due Apr. 9/Web Page ENG Script Analysis: 10 points

Term Paper 4/Due May 7/Edited Tabloid "Pseudo-News" Packages: 10 points

Lab Assignment 1/Video Assemble Editing Project: 10 points

Lab Assignment 2/Video Insert Editing Project: 10 points

Lab Assignment 3/Original 30-Second Edited PSA with Script: 10 points

Lab Assignment 4/Original 60-second Edited Commercial with Script: 10 points

Lab Assignment 5/Original 90-second Edited News Story with Script: 10 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 10 points

**Spring 1998 Semester Total:** 100 points



Title and Number: BJ 3013/Electronic News Gathering
Prerequisite(s): BJ 2103/Television Production, PJ 2003/Basic News Writing
Catalog Description: Operate camcorders and VHS format videotape editing system. Mechanics and aesthetics of each are stressed. Assignments include news stories,

**Text:** Hewitt, <u>Sequences: Strategies for Shooting News in the Real World</u> (first edition), Mayfield/with accompanying videotape

commercials, and public service announcements. Timing and scripting are also discussed.

**Purpose/Objective:** Enabling students to produce professional quality television projects through usage of field production and editing equipment, resulting in enhanced proficiency of video techniques. Other factors to be considered including video editing skills, setting proper audio levels, lighting, timing, scripting and quality of videography. Through practice work and graded assignments, besides students critiquing their own work and that of professionals in the field, they learn that electronic news gathering and editing skills are important if they wish to pursue careers in commercial or corporate television.

### Topics To Be Emphasized

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### **Approximate Hours Of Coverage**

Date:

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Mechanics and aesthetics of editing videotape	4
Audio, natural sound in ENG and editing	4
Technical considerations of camcorders and editing equipment	4
VHS videographic procedures	4
Writing ENG broadcast scripts	4
Lighting for field production	4
Producing, writing, editing public service announcements	4
Producing, writing, editing commercials	4
Producing, writing, editing news stories	4
Researching data in cyberspace	4
Preparing final project	4
Discuss research term papers	4



Title and number: BJ 3013/Electronic News Gathering Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons X Lecture X Student Participation X Lecture/Discussion \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching X Use of Audio-Visuals \_\_\_\_ Microteaching **X** Demonstration X Other: Videotapes \_\_\_\_ Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Four term papers, five lab assignments, attendance/class participation. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): \_\_\_ True/False X Demonstration \_\_\_\_ Multiple Choice X Term Papers \_\_\_\_ Short Answer X Exhibits \_\_\_ Essay X Critiques X Projects Criterion reference X Other: Videotapes Standardized Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date) Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)



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BJ 3023: Advanced Radio Production (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

Assignments: The following tasks are required. Each term paper will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. Two missed term papers will result in automatic failure.

Term Paper 1/Local Radio Sales: 10 points

Term Paper 2/Regional, National Program Syndication: 10 points

Term Paper 3/Demographic Format Analysis: 10 points

Term Paper 4/Station Promotion Techniques: 10 points

Video Field Trip to Radio Station: 10 points

Weekly Recording Assignments in Studios A/B: 20 points

Final Project/Radio Audition Tape with Script: 10 points

Individual Semester Lab Performance: 10 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 10 points

Spring 1998 Semester Total: 100 points



Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_

Title and Number: BJ 3023/Advanced Radio Produ	uction
Prerequisite(s): BJ 2003/Radio Production	
Catalog Description: Extensive practice in audio prowaves, studio electronics, and multi-track recording	duction techniques. Study of sound equipment in broadcast laboratory.
Text: Subscription to <u>Broadcasting &amp; Cable</u> Magaz	ine
Purpose/Objective: As the radio industry continues and procedures, students must be kept current with t in the job market. Extensive training in the Electronic in preparing students for tasks they may do in entry-lecombination of theory and hands-on experience perspective of the medium.	hese technologies to be competitive ic Classroom and Studios A/B assist evel positions at radio stations. The
Topics To Be Emphasized	Approximate Hours Of Coverage
Professional audio control boards Audio techniques as applied in SAU studios A/B Microphone technique and placement Studio design and sound quality Console inputs and outputs Patching, signals and balance	4 8 4 4 4

Producing, writing, recording audio projects

Researching data in cyberspace

Discuss, research term papers

Preparing final project



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Title and number: BJ 3023/Advanced Radio Production Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons X Lecture X Student Participation X Lecture/Discussion \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching X Use of Audio-Visuals Microteaching **X** Demonstration X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes X Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Four term papers, video field trip to radio station, weekly recording assignments, final project, individual semester lab performance, attendance/class participation. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): **X** Demonstration True/False \_\_\_ Multiple Choice X Term Papers \_\_ Short Answer X Exhibits X Critiques \_\_\_\_ Essay \_\_\_\_ Criterion reference X Projects Standardized X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date) Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)



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**BJ 3103:** Broadcast News Writing (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 500 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 450-500/A; 400-449/B; 350-399/C; 300-349/D; and 0-299/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Unless otherwise noted, all broadcast script exercises will be typed and double-spaced, with all capital letters on 65-space lines. Three missed writing assignments will result in automatic failure.

Writing Assignments 1-35/Radio, TV News Stories: 10 points each/350 total

Final Project/10-Minute Radio Newscast Script: 100 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 50 points

**Spring 1999 Semester Total:** 500 points



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Title and Number: BJ 3103/Broadcast News Wr	iting
Prerequisite(s): PJ 2003/Basic News Writing	
Catalog Description: Writing assignments include investigative reports, and editorials. Also stresse and broadcast law.	e leads, hard news, features, spot news ed are news sources, accuracy, ethics
Text: Shook/Lattimore/Redmond, The Broadcast	t News Process (fifth edition), Morton
Purpose/Objective: Those seriously interested in consider the importance of accurate, well-written no intense competition. Understanding news gathering on tight deadlines are not for everyone, and the formula on the surface. Realizing that practice hone assignments similar to what students will face in the leave the course with a better grasp as to what is tight, conversational writing style.	ews in a field stressing immediacy and g fundamentals and being able to work ield is not as glorious as it may appea s professional reporting skills, many s job market are emphasized. Students
Topics To Be Emphasized	Approximate Hours Of Coverage
Writing in present tense Broadcast leads News selection, elements of news Reporting on a deadline, source attribution Editing, freshening, updating news copy Hard, feature news	
Editorials, press releases	



Commercials, weather Preparing lab assignments

Preparing final project

Researching data in cyberspace

Ethics of broadcast news reporting

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Title and number: BJ 3103/Broadcast News Writing

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<ul> <li>X Lecture</li> <li>X Lecture/Discussion</li> <li>X Use of Audio-Visuals</li> <li>X Demonstration</li> <li>Field Trips</li> </ul>		X Other:	X Stude	Team T Microt	cipation eaching eaching
Major Student Assignments: attendance/class participation.	Thirty-five	writing	assignments,	final	project
Student Assessment/Evaluation (1	Tests and N	umber of	Tests):		
True/False Multiple Choice Short Answer Essay Criterion reference Standardized  Student Readings: (please attach Instructor Bibliography: (please a				X	
Procedure:					
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**BJ 4003**: Adv. Electronic News Gathering (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Each term paper will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. Two missed term papers will result in automatic failure.

Term Paper 1/Natural Sound, Audio in Local TV News: 10 points

Term Paper 2/Videography, Lighting in Network, Cable TV News: 10 points

Term Paper 3/Mechanics of TV News Script Writing: 10 points

Term Paper 4/Local vs. Network, Cable TV Edited Sports: 10 points

Weekly Videography/Editing Assignments: 30 points

Final Project/Video Audition Tape with Script: 10 points

Individual Semester Lab Performance: 10 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 10 points

Fall 1997 Semester Total: 100 points



Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by: Date:				
Title and Number: BJ 4003/Adv. Electronic News Gathering				
Prerequisite(s): BJ 3013/Electronic News Gathering				
Catalog Description: Consists of shooting, writing, editing, and producing television news reports. Storyboarding, voiceovers, scripting, and writing copy to complement visuals. Operate camcorders and Super-VHS format videotape editing system.				
<b>Text:</b> Hewitt, <u>Sequences: Strategies for Shooting News in the Real World</u> (first edition), Mayfield/with accompanying videotape				
<b>Purpose/Objective:</b> This intensive, hands-on experience runs the gamut of news gathering and editing procedures students can expect to encounter upon graduation in entry-level television positions. Industrial Super-VHS video equipment used in the course allows for both portability and professionalism of reportage. A study of local, cable, industrial and commercial news operations helps to underscore the importance of producing high quality news reports. Solid audition tapes highlighting competent writing skills enable students to be prepared for success in the highly competitive television news job market.				
Topics To Be Emphasized Approximate Hours Of Coverage				
Differences between VHS and Super-VHS formats  Super-VHS videographic procedures  Videotape editing on the Super-VHS system  4  8				
Utilizing audio tracks in edited projects  Writing Advanced ENG broadcast scripts				



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Location production, audio, lighting considerations

Producing, writing, editing projects Researching data in cyberspace

Preparing final project

Title and number: BJ 4003/Adv. Electronic News Gathering Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons X Lecture X Student Participation X Lecture/Discussion \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching X Use of Audio-Visuals \_\_\_\_\_ Microteaching **X** Demonstration X Other: Videotapes \_\_\_\_ Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Four term papers, videography/editing assignments, final project, individual semester lab performance, attendance/class participation. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): **X** Demonstration True/False \_\_\_\_ Multiple Choice X Term Papers \_\_\_\_ Short Answer X Exhibits \_\_\_\_ Essay X Critiques \_\_\_\_ Criterion reference X Projects X Other: Videotapes Standardized Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date) Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date) Dean submits one copy to VPAA (Sig./Date)



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**BJ 4103:** Broadcast Sales and Management (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Each term paper will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. Two missed term papers will result in automatic failure.

Term Paper 1/Characteristics of Account Executives: 10 points

Term Paper 2/Radio, Television Sales Comparison: 10 points

Term Paper 3/Web Page Management Inventory: 10 points

Term Paper 4/Executives, Demographics and Ratings: 10 points

Lab Assignments 1-10/Sales and Management Projects: 4 points each/40 total

Final Project/Radio or TV Sales and Management Portfolio: 10 points

Attendance/Class Participation: 10 points

**Spring 1998 Semester Total:** 100 points



Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Title and Number: BJ 4103/Broadcast Sales	and Management
Prerequisite(s): None	
Catalog Description: Role of station managemaudience rating, demographics, and personnel	
Text: Subscription to Electronic Media Magaz	ine
Purpose/Objective: Broadcasting is as me entertainment medium. Besides hands-on or jounderstand and appreciate the important role ractechniques play in the overall operation of medithe writing, research and interpersonal communicompetently in entry-level sales and management.	ournalistic responsibilities, students must dio and television sales and management a properties. This course gives students lication skills necessary for them to serve
Topics To Be Emphasized	Approximate Hours Of Coverage
The business of broadcasting Rate cards Radio, television account executives Radio, television management techniques	3 6 6 3 3
Sales, traffic and billing Business management	3
Researching data in cyberspace	6
Preparing lab assignments	6



Preparing final project

Discuss, research term papers

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Title and Number: BJ 4103/Broadcast Sales and Management

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X Use of Audio-Visuals X Demonstration — Field Trips  Major Student Assignments: Four term papers, 10 lab assignments, final project attendance/class participation.  Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests):  — True/False — Multiple Choice — Short Answer  Team Teaching Microteaching X Other: Videotapes  X Other: Videotapes  X Demonstration X Term Papers X Exhibit	X Lecture	X Resource Persons
X Use of Audio-Visuals X Demonstration Field Trips  Major Student Assignments: Four term papers, 10 lab assignments, final project attendance/class participation.  Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests):  True/False Multiple Choice Short Answer Short Answer Standardized  Criterion reference Standardized  Student Readings: (please attach)  Instructor Bibliography: (please attach)  Procedure:  Submit three copies to departmental chair  Department Chair (Sig./Date)  Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)	X Lecture/Discussion	X Student Participation
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Multiple Choice Short Answer Short Answer Standardized  Standardized  Student Readings: (please attach)  Instructor Bibliography: (please attach)  Procedure:  Submit three copies to departmental chair  Department Chair (Sig./Date)  Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)	Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests an	d Number of Tests):
Multiple Choice Short Answer Essay Criterion reference Standardized  Student Readings: (please attach)  Instructor Bibliography: (please attach)  Procedure:  Submit three copies to departmental chair  Department Chair (Sig./Date)  Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)	True/False	X Demonstration
Short Answer Essay Criterion reference Standardized  Student Readings: (please attach)  Instructor Bibliography: (please attach)  Procedure:  Submit three copies to departmental chair  Department Chair (Sig./Date)  Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)	Multiple Choice	X Term Papers
Essay X Project: Criterion reference X Project: Standardized Other:  Student Readings: (please attach)  Instructor Bibliography: (please attach)  Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair  Department Chair (Sig./Date)  Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)	Short Answer	X Exhibits
Student Readings: (please attach)  Instructor Bibliography: (please attach)  Procedure:  Submit three copies to departmental chair  Department Chair (Sig./Date)  Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)	Essav	X Critiques
Student Readings: (please attach)  Instructor Bibliography: (please attach)  Procedure:  Submit three copies to departmental chair  Department Chair (Sig./Date)  Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date)	Criterion reference	X Projects
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**BJ 4903**: Senior Research Project (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

**Grading Criteria:** There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

Assignments: The following tasks are required. Each term paper chapter will be five pages in length, typed, double-spaced, with a separate reference page. One missed term paper chapter will result in automatic failure.

Term Paper Chapter 1: 20 points

Term Paper Chapter 2: 20 points

Term Paper Chapter 3: 20 points

Term Paper Chapter 4: 20 points

Oral Defense of Completed Term Paper: 20 points

Fall 1997 Semester Total: 100 points



Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by:	Date:
Title and Number: BJ 4903/Senior Research F	Project
Prerequisite(s): Senior standing and 30 hor requirements	ours of broadcast journalism emphasis
Catalog Description: A major research paper adds a significant knowledge to the discipline.	
<b>Text:</b> Eisenthal, <u>A Step-by-Step Guide to Res</u>	earch and Writing Papers (first edition),
Purpose/Objective: Students write a paper whi research skills in an area of broadcast journalism their career goals.	ch combines quantitative and qualitative n/mass communication which ties in with
Topics To Be Emphasized	Approximate Hours Of Coverage
Topic selection/significance	8
Work with advisor on format/research data base	
Execution of term paper in four chapters	20
Regular critiques of paper and research	8
Oral defense of naner	4



Title and number: BJ 4903/Senior Research Project Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons \_\_\_\_ Lecture X Student Participation Lecture/Discussion \_\_\_\_ Use of Audio-Visuals \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching \_\_\_\_ Microteaching \_\_\_\_\_ Demonstration Other: Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Term paper on a major theme consisting of four chapters. with progress reports at regular intervals. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): \_\_\_ True/False Demonstration \_\_\_\_ Multiple Choice X Term Papers \_\_\_\_ Exhibits \_\_\_\_ Short Answer Critiques \_\_\_\_ Essay \_\_\_ Criterion reference X Projects \_\_\_\_ Standardized Other: \_\_\_\_ Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date) \_\_\_\_\_ Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date) Dean submits one copy to VPAA (Sig./Date)



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**BJ 4913:** Broadcast Internship (Academic Course Syllabus Preface)

<u>Grading Criteria</u>: There is a total of 100 points that can be earned from this course. Semester grades will be determined in the following manner: 90-100/A; 80-89/B; 70-79/C; 60-69/D; and 0-59/F.

<u>Assignments</u>: The following tasks are required. Missing two supervised, previously scheduled professional radio or television work days without documented excuse will result in automatic failure.

Professional Evaluation of Student Intern Performance: 50 points

Compilation Broadcast Scripts, Videotapes or Audio Cassettes: 50 points

Fall 1997 Semester Total: 100 points



Prepared by: James E. Reppert Revised by:	Date:			
Title and Number: BJ 4913/Broadcast Internship				
<b>Prerequisite(s):</b> Completion of 12 upper class hours in broadcast journalism, senior standing, and a minimum grade-point average of 2.50				
<b>Catalog Description:</b> Structured professional experience in a commercial broadcasting operation under professional supervision.				
Text: None				
<b>Purpose/Objective:</b> Allowing students the opportunity to obtain real-world experience at stations or entities that use their radio or television writing and production skills. Copies of their broadcast scripts, demo videotapes or audio cassettes can then be used when applying for entry-level positions in broadcast journalism.				
Topics To Be Emphasized	Approximate Hours Of Coverage			
Radio and television writing, production experience Professional/faculty critiques of intern duties	40 8			



Title and number: BJ 4913/Broadcast Internship Check types of teaching strategies used in this course: X Resource Persons \_\_\_\_\_ Lecture Lecture/Discussion X Student Participation \_\_\_\_ Use of Audio-Visuals \_\_\_\_ Team Teaching Microteaching Demonstration X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes Field Trips Major Student Assignments: Various radio and television writing and production projects as deemed appropriate by their respective internship supervisors. Student Assessment/Evaluation (Tests and Number of Tests): \_\_ True/False **X** Demonstration \_\_\_\_ Multiple Choice Term Papers \_\_\_\_ Short Answer X Exhibits \_\_\_\_ Essay X Critiques \_\_\_\_\_ Criterion reference X Projects Standardized X Other: Videotapes/Audio Cassettes Student Readings: (please attach) Instructor Bibliography: (please attach) Procedure: Submit three copies to departmental chair Department Chair (Sig./Date) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Chair submits two copies to Dean (Sig./Date) Dean submits one copy to VPAA (Sig./Date) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_



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